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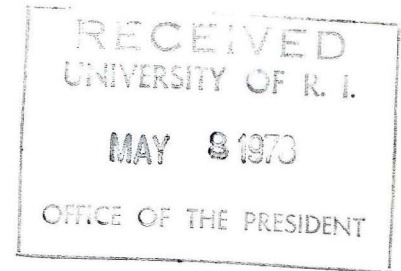
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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND  
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE  
BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate



TO: President Frank Newman


FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled Report of the Executive Committee - Annual Program  
Review: Sections 8.66.10 - 8.66.15, 5.67.10 - 5.67.11 of the University  
Manual,

is forwarded for your consideration.

2. The original and two copies for your use are included.
3. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on May 4, 1978  
(date)
4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Regents, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
5. In accordance with Section 8, paragraph 2 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on May 25, 1978 (date), three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Regents for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Regents, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

May 5, 1978  
(date)

  
Robert M. Gutchen  
Chairman of the Faculty Senate


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ENDORSEMENT

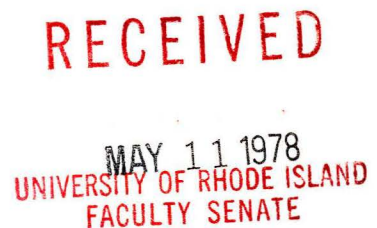
TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

1. Returned.
2. Approved ✓. Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_.
3. (If approved) In my opinion, transmittal to the Board of Regents is not/is necessary.

5/9/78  
(date)

  
President



ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Board of Regents

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded.
2. Approved.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
President

ENDORSEMENT 2

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: Chairman of the Board of Regents, via the University President.

1. Forwarded.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Office)

ENDORSEMENT 3.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded from the Chairman of the Board of Regents.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
President

Original received and forwarded to the Secretary of the Senate and Registrar for filing in the Archives of the University.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

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Chairman of the Faculty Senate

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND  
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE

Report of the Executive Committee

- I. On October 27, 1977, the Faculty Senate voted to direct the Senate Executive Committee "to review the charge to the Joint Educational Policy Committee, take any actions necessary to clarify the charge and make recommendations to the Faculty Senate." (Senate Action #77-78--6)

In response to that action the Executive Committee recommends that the Faculty Senate approve the following proposal:

- A. Change section 5.66.10 by deleting everything after "institutes" on line 10.
- B. Add the following new sections 8.66.10 through 8.66.15:

8.66.10 Annual Program Review. In January of each year, all new programs which require Regents' approval and/or the allocation of university funds, recommended by the Curricular Affairs Committee, Graduate Council, Research Policy and Facilities Committee, or any other group empowered to propose new programs, shall be reviewed and ranked according to procedures outlined in sections 8.66.11 and 8.66.12. Proposals for programs which were disapproved during the preceding year or which were not approved by the Regents within two years after approval by the Faculty Senate and the President shall be considered along with the new proposals upon the request of the unit which originally proposed the program.

by the Faculty  
Senate, President  
on the Regents

8.66.11 This review shall be conducted by the Program Review Committee. See 5.67.10 for membership.

8.66.12 The ranking shall be determined according to the following criteria as applicable (the criteria are not listed in order of their relative importance): 1) academic soundness, 2) relation of the proposal to the task of an institution of higher learning, 3) relation of the proposal to the particular missions of the University of Rhode Island, 4) cost, 5) space needs, 6) number of students and/or faculty to be served and 7) needs of the university and of the state and region.

8.66.13 Following the review of all program proposals, this group shall submit its recommendations for ranking according to priority together with a written rationale for the ranking to the Faculty Senate for action at its second meeting in February, and thence to the President.

8.66.14 For the purpose of this review, the term "programs" shall include inter alia centers, institutes and bureaus, which require the allocation of general revenue funds for direct costs. If programs do not require the allocation of general revenue funds for direct costs, or if the program can be entirely supported by reprogramming existing departmental funds, or if the amount of general revenue funds required per year does not exceed the current calendar year minimum salary of an instructor, no review under 8.66.10 shall be

required. Ventures for which the University may assume full or partial financial responsibility shall be reviewed and ranked during the year prior to the date intended for the assumption of funding by the University, provided that the new financial responsibility exceeds the current minimum salary for an instructor.

8.66.15 In exceptional circumstances, proponents of new programs may request that the Program Review Committee meet to determine whether an exception to the review procedure is warranted. If there is question as to the applicability of the program review process to a new academic venture, the Program Review Committee shall have the authority to decide whether the venture in question should be included in the program review. The Program Review Committee's decisions in these matters shall be final.

C. Add the following new sections 5.67.10 and 5.67.11:

5.67.10 The Program Review Committee shall conduct an annual review of new programs as outlined in sections 8.66.10 through 8.66.15.

5.67.11 The committee shall comprise: the chairpersons of the Graduate Council, the Curricular Affairs Committee, and the Research Policy and Facilities Committee; two representatives from the Council of Deans; the Faculty Senate Executive Committee; a representative of the Student Senate; a representative of the Graduate Student Association; the Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Vice President for Business and Finance. The Vice President for Academic Affairs shall chair meetings of this committee.

~~11. On December 8, 1977, the Faculty Senate voted to "postpone definitely consideration of the Report of the Research Policy and Facilities Committee (the proposed new section 8.65.13 of the University Manual) until the charge to the IEPC is rewritten and clarified." (Senate Action #77-78-11)~~

~~8.65.13 Following review of proposals for the creation of new centers, institutes or bureaus by the Research Policy and Facilities Committee, recommendations shall be forwarded to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee for informational purposes.~~

~~The Executive Committee recommends that section 8.65.13 be returned to the Research Policy and Facilities Committee with instructions to revise the section to make it consistent with the new Manual sections 8.66.10 through 8.66.15 and return the revised 8.65.13 to the Faculty Senate by the Senate's second meeting in October, 1978.~~